the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Council held in Rome, Italy from 2—13 November, 2001.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. This Treaty acknowledges that the conservation, exploration, collection, characterization, evaluation and documentation of Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture are essential to meet the goals of World Food Security and for sustainable agricultural development.

New institutes of ICAR in NER

2089. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of new institutes established by ICAR in the North Eastern States indicating the location, dates of establishment, present status, total sanctioned staff, vacancy positions, activities till date etc.

(b) whether these institutes could not function due to inadequate staff; and

(c) if so, the action initiated and the target set to complete the recruitment process?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) National Research Centre on Pig has been sanctioned at Rani, Guwahati, Assam on 22.8.2001 and the land has been acquired for its establishment from the State Government of Assam. The provision of personnel for this centre is under discussion with Ministry of Finance. Meanwhile the functions of the Institute are being managed by scientist deployed temporarily from other places and staff taken on contract.

World Bank's assistance for rehabilitation work in Gujarat

2090. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank had extended support for massive earthquake rehabilitation programmes to Gujarat Government during the last year;

(b) if so, the details of assistance rendered by the World Bank to the Gujarat Government;